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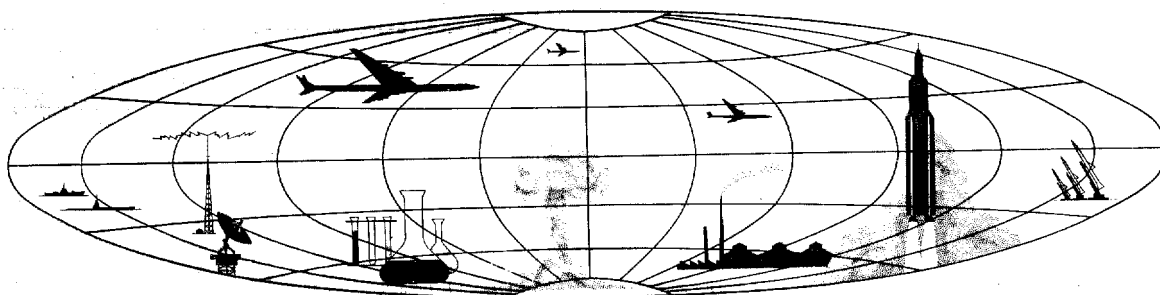


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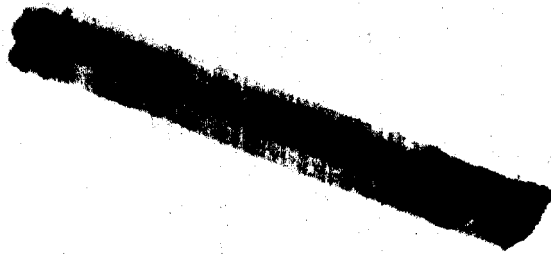
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

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PREFACE

THIS IS A [REDACTED] REPORT. PERSONNEL RECEIVING THIS REPORT ARE CAUTIONED THAT A STRICT NEED-TO-KNOW APPLIES.

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THIS REPORT REPRESENTS THE PRELIMINARY INTERPRETATION OF [REDACTED] MISSION 3224, DATED 14 MAY 1963. IT DEALS PRIMARILY WITH THE HIGHEST PRIORITY INTELLIGENCE ITEMS APPEARING IN THE COMOR TARGET LIST.

TARGETS IN THIS REPORT ARE ARRANGED BY SUBJECT, AND WITHIN EACH SUBJECT BY COMOR TARGET NUMBER, WHICH APPEARS AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE.

-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

DONG HOI AIRFIELD 1731N 10636E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]
AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

VINH AIRFIELD 1843N 10540E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

3.5 NM NORTH OF VINH.
6,400 X 190 FT N/S PROBABLE LATERITE SURFACE RUNWAY,
SERVICEABLE, INCLUDING COMPLETED PROBABLE GRAVEL
EXTENSION ON NORTH END OF RUNWAY (RUNWAY MARKERS
ADDED).
AIRCRAFT -- ONE COLT.

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NA SAN AIRFIELD 2113N 10402E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

.5 NM NE OF NA SAN.
4,000 X 100 FT NW/SE CRUSHED ROCK RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE.
NO INDICATION OF RUNWAY EXTENSION.
AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

25X1A

CAO BANG AIRFIELD 2239N 10616E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

.5 NM SE OF CAO BANG.
2,850 X 100 FT NW/SE PACKED EARTH RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE.
AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

25X1A

MOC CHAU, MILITARY COMPLEX 2050N 10437E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

SCATTERED CLOUDS LIMIT INTERPRETATION.
THE FOLLOWING AREAS WERE OBSERVED --

MILITARY TRAINING AREA (4 NM EAST OF MOC CHAU AT
20-51N 104-40E) -- AT LEAST 24 BARRACKS, 20 SUPPORT
BUILDINGS, AND NUMEROUS FOXHOLES AND ENTRENCHMENTS.

MILITARY BARRACKS AREA (3.5 NM ESE OF MOC CHAU AT
20-50N 104-40E) -- 15 BARRACKS, 10 SUPPORT BUILDINGS,
AND NUMEROUS TRENCHES.

25X1D

MILITARY BARRACKS AREA (2 NM EAST OF MOC CHAU AT
20-50N 104-39E) -- AT LEAST 16 BARRACKS AND 2
ADMINISTRATIVE AND 10 SUPPORT BUILDINGS.

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VINH, MILITARY COMPLEX 1840N 10541E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE OBSERVED SINCE [REDACTED] IN AREAS
A AND B AND IN CLOUD-FREE PORTIONS OF

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25X1D AREAS C, D, E, AND F.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

SON LA AREA, MILITARY COMPLEX 2120N 10355E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

[REDACTED]

25X1D SON LA AND VICINITY.
COMPLEX CONTAINS AT LEAST 560 BUILDINGS, INCLUDING
BARRACKS AND STORAGE, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPORT BUILDINGS. FIVE BUILDINGS UNDER
CONSTRUCTION AND FIVE VEHICLES OBSERVED IN COMPLEX.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

BAN HEO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2108N 10410E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

[REDACTED]

25X1D AREA, 2 NM SE OF BAN HEO ON WEST SIDE OF SON
LA-CHIENG DONG HIGHWAY, CONTAINS 29 BUILDINGS
INCLUDING BARRACKS AND STORAGE, ADMINISTRATION, AND
SUPPORT BUILDINGS.

AREA, ONE NM NE OF BAN HEO ON WEST SIDE OF SON
LA-CHIENG DONG HIGHWAY, COMPRISES 2 WALLED AREAS WITH
A TOTAL OF 13 STORAGE BUILDINGS AND 4 SUPPORT
BUILDINGS AND 6 OTHER BUILDINGS OUTSIDE WALLED AREAS.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

BAN LOT AREA (NA SAN AREA), MILITARY AREA 2113N 10402E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

[REDACTED]

25X1D NA SAN VICINITY.
MILITARY AREA CONTAINS A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 250
BUILDINGS, 100 LOCATED ONE NM EAST AND SE OF NA SAN
AIRFIELD AND 150 LOCATED ONE NM NW OF NA SAN AIRFIELD.
BUILDINGS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
ARE NOW COMPLETED, AND NO NEW CONSTRUCTION OBSERVED.
ONE VEHICLE AND TWO 4-GUN AAA POSITIONS, ONE LOCATED
ONE NM SE OF NA SAN AIRFIELD AND ONE LOCATED IN
BUILDING AREA ONE NM NW OF NA SAN AIRFIELD, OBSERVED.

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BAN MAT, MILITARY AREA 2115N 10359E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D IMMEDIATELY EAST OF BAN MAT.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN BARRACKS AREA FACILITIES SINCE
[REDACTED] ONE POSSIBLE CARGO TRUCK AND
3 POSSIBLE SMALL TRAILERS OBSERVED IN BARRACKS AREA.
25X1D NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN DRIVER TRAINING AREA NW OF
BARRACKS.
[REDACTED]

25X1A

SAM NEUA, MILITARY AREA 2025N 10403E

6 NM RADIUS OF SAM NEUA.

SAM NEUA AIRFIELD (ONE NM EAST OF SAM NEUA)
-- 3,600 X 100 FT E/W SOD/PROBABLE
GRAVEL RUNWAY, SERVICEABLE. NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED. 25X1A

POSSIBLE NEW ROAD [REDACTED] -- ORIENTED NW
TOWARD PHONG SALLY.

FENCED BARRACKS AREA (SOUTH EDGE OF SAM NEUA) --
APPROXIMATELY 10 BARRACKS AND ONE LARGE ADMINISTRATIVE
AND APPROXIMATELY 15 ADMINISTRATIVE/STORAGE BUILDINGS.

25X1D MILITARY AREA (.75 NM EAST OF SAM NEUA ADJACENT TO SAM
NEUA AIRFIELD) -- 11 BARRACKS AND ONE L-SHAPED
ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING.
TWO 6-GUN FA POSITIONS (OCCUPANCY UNDETERMINED) AND
ONE STRONGPOINT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.
[REDACTED]

25X1A

BAN A. CHOC, AREA SEARCH 1653N 10635E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

PROBABLE MILITARY AREA, APPROXIMATELY 5 NM ENE OF
BAN A. CHOC AT APPROXIMATELY 16-54N 106-09E, COMPRISES
3 BARRACKS AREAS WITH A TOTAL OF 21 PROBABLE BARRACKS
AND APPROXIMATELY 9 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS, ADJACENT
PROBABLE STORAGE AREA WITH APPROXIMATELY 40 BUILDINGS,
AND PROBABLE ADMINISTRATIVE AREA WITH 2
ADMINISTRATIVE-TYPE AND NUMEROUS SMALL BUILDINGS.

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25X1D HEAVY TRACK ACTIVITY AND TRENCHING OBSERVED IN AREA.

[REDACTED]

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NONG HET AREA, MILITARY CAMP 1929N 10401E
(LAOS)

[REDACTED]

ONE NM SE OF NONG HET.
WALLED CAMP CONTAINS 2 BARRACKS, ONE ADMINISTRATIVE
BUILDING, ONE L-SHAPED PROBABLE MESS HALL, 2 PROBABLE
STORAGE BUILDINGS, AND ONE ASSOCIATED BUILDING.
CONVOY OF APPROXIMATELY 22 CANVAS-TOPPED CARGO TRUCKS
HEADED EAST OBSERVED PARKED ON ROAD IN NONG HET.

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[REDACTED]

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DONG HOI-DMZ, ROAD AND RR SEARCH AREAS 1728N 10637E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

[REDACTED]

DONG HOI-DMZ RAILROAD LINE NOT SERVICEABLE WITH
BRIDGES OUT AT 17-11N 106-48E, 17-19N 106-37E, AND
17-25N 106-36E. RAILROAD LINE SE FROM 17-11N 106-48E
CONVERTED TO ROAD.
DONG HOI-DMZ ROAD APPEARS SERVICEABLE. NO MILITARY
EQUIPMENT OR VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

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DONG HOI-MU GIA PASS, ROAD AND RR SEARCH 1728N 10637E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

[REDACTED]

NO VEHICLE CONVOYS OBSERVED ON VISIBLE SECTIONS OF
ROAD FROM 17-45N 105-57E TO 17-52N 106-03E AND FROM
DONG HOI (17-28N 106-37E) TO XUAN MAI (17-47N
106-41E).

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BARTHELEMY PASS-VINH, ROAD 1926N 10407E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

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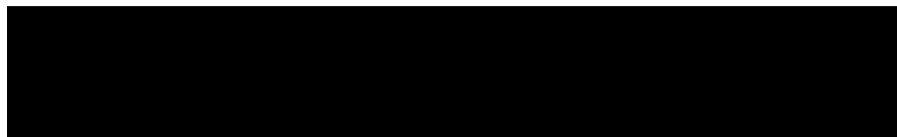
NO NEW CONSTRUCTION OR VEHICLE CONVOYS OBSERVED ON
VISIBLE SECTION OF ROAD FROM 19-10N 104-35E TO 18-57N

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105-05E.



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KEO NEUA PASS-VINH, ROAD (ROUTE 8) 1823N 10510E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

NO ROAD CONSTRUCTION OR VEHICLE CONVOYS OBSERVED ON
VISIBLE SECTION OF ROAD FROM IMMEDIATELY NW OF KEO
NEUA PASS AT 18-25N 105-12E TO 18-32N 105-31E.



SUYUT-LAOS BORDER, ROAD SEARCH 2046N 10504E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

25X1D

NO NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION OR VEHICLE CONVOYS OBSERVED
IN CLOUD-FREE SECTION OF ROAD FROM SUYUT (20-46N
105-04E) TO APPROXIMATELY 20-47N 104-55E.



25X1A

VINH LINH-SOUTH VIETNAM, ROAD 1704N 10702E

25X1D

NO VEHICLES OBSERVED ON VISIBLE SECTION OF ROAD FROM
APPROXIMATELY 16-56N 106-49E TO 16-55N 106-32E
(BAN TRIM VICINITY).
ROAD APPEARS IMPROVED FROM 16-56N 106-49E TO
APPROXIMATELY 16-54N 106-39E.



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HANOI-DONG HOI, ROAD AND RAILROAD 2102N 10551E
(NORTH VIETNAM)

RAILROAD LINE, OBSERVED FROM 18-23N TO 105-37E
(HOA DUYET VICINITY) TO 17-52N 106-03E
(TAM DA PHUONG), IS UNSERVICEABLE FROM DONG HOI

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25X1D (17-28N 106-37E) TO XUAN MAI (17-47N 106-14E) WITH
RAILROAD BRIDGE AT 18-22N 105-37E OUT.
FOUR RAILROAD CARS AND ONE PROBABLE LOCOMOTIVE
OBSERVED ON RAIL SPUR AT SIDING 11 NM SE OF BAI DUE
THON AT 18-01N 105-52E.



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MUONG SEN-NONG HET-KHANG KHAI, ROAD SEARCH 1925N 10408E
(NORTH VIETNAM)



25X1D ROAD OBSERVED FROM NONG HET VICINITY AT 19-36N 103-46E
TO APPROXIMATELY LAOS-NORTH VIETNAM BORDER AT 19-27N
104-06E.
APPROXIMATELY 22 PARKED CANVAS-TOPPED TRUCKS HEADED
EAST OBSERVED IN NONG HET.



25X1A

SAM NEUA-PHONG SALLY, POSSIBLE NEW ROAD 2028N 10402E
(LAOS)



25X1D SMALL PORTIONS OF POSSIBLE NEW ROAD, ORIENTED NW
TOWARD PHONG SALLY, OBSERVED NEAR SAM NEUA OUTSKIRTS.
NO TROOP OR VEHICLE CONCENTRATIONS, BARRACKS, OR
ENCAMPMENT AREAS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.



-STORAGE-

25X1A

CAO BANG BARRACKS AND STORAGE AREAS 2240N 10615E
(NORTH VIETNAM)



CAO BANG VICINITY.

FENCED BARRACKS AREA NW OF CAO BANG AIRFIELD CONTAINS
2 ADMINISTRATIVE/SUPPORT-TYPE BUILDINGS AND 2 SUPPORT
BUILDINGS.

BARRACKS AREA .7 NM WSW OF CAO BANG AIRFIELD CONTAINS
10 BARRACKS, 3 PROBABLE BARRACKS, 3 POSSIBLE


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ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS, 8 SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND 10
MISCELLANEOUS SMALLER BUILDINGS.
INCOMPLETE COVERAGE DUE TO SCATTERED CLOUDS.



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